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### September.

September comes with sapphire eyes And hair of fine spun gold, She walks the fields in gorgeous guise Her garments, fold on fold, Embroidered with the golden grain And silvered o'er with summer rain.

Above her bend the sapphire skies

Where fleecy clouds unfold, Around her all the glory lies Of all the fields of gold. Her hands in lavish freedom fling A golden glow on everything.

Before her feet a pathway lies That leads to realms of dreams, Where every emerald leaf that dies Like some rich jewel gleams As from the tree it flutters down A flame that burns and turns to brown.

Her ways are ways of sweet surprise, She leads us through a maze Of endless colors that suprise And set the world ablaze, In every tint and shade and hue Of gold, of crimson and of blue.

Of gold, of erimson with sapphire eyes And skies of sapphire hue, And aureate the path that lies For her to wander through, A spangled month of glint and gleam That ends in shadows like a dream. --[Chicago Chronicle.]

# MASONRY IN MAINE.

### Lodge Elections.

Oriental Star, 21, Livermore Falls. Arthur E Grose, m; John N Sinnett, sw; Thomas R Williams, jw; George O Eustis, sec.

Euclid, 194, Madison. Frank S Davis, m; Herbert W Perkins, sw; Waldo E Hough-ton, jw Daniel M Nichols, sec.

Portland, 1, Portland. George W Mitchell, m; Arthur D Pierce, sw; Charles B Hinds, jw; Albro E Chase, sec.

Rural, 53, Sidney. Warren A Barnard, m; Edmund P Williams, sw; Ira C Taylor, jw; Arthur W Hammond, R F D 7, Augusta, sec.

Oxford, 18, Norway. Horace E Mixer, m; Stuart W Goodwin, sw; Wiggin L Mer-rill, jw; Howard D Smith, sec.

Central, 45, China. Ernfield J Crosby, m; Clair M Libby, sw; Charles A Pinkham, jw; Thomas W Washburn, sec.

Mt. Abram, 204, Kingfield. Frank Stanley, m; Sumner J Wyman, sw; Leland V Gordon, jw; Arthur C Woodard, sec. Asylum, 133, Wayne. Luther M Norris, m; John S Collins, sw; Albert W Riggs, jw; Frederick L Chenery, sec.

St. Aspinquid, 198, York Village. John C Stewart, m; Arthur H Baker, sw; War-ren F Blaisdell, jw; Willie W Cuzner, sec.

Keystone, 80, Solon. Ivan L Ward, m; Myron C Jewett, sw; David S Tozier, jw; Perry S Longley, sec.

Vassalboro, 54, North Vassalboro. Tho's M Sedwick, m; Joseph Scott, sw; C Mau-rlce Wyman, sw; Melvin E Hutchinson, sec.

Nezinscot, 101, Turner. Fred S Irish, m; Edward L Haskell, sw; Royal W Haskell, sw; Royal W Bradford, jw; Donald C Prince, sec.

Mt. Bigelow, 202, Flagstaff. William M Viles, m; Maurice E Sampson, Stratton, sw; Charles T Rand, Dead River, jw; Walter E Hinds, sec.

### Chapter Elections.

Teconnet, 52, Waterville. Harry S Grindell, hp; Herbert B Holland, k; Everett C Wardwell, sc; Charles B Davis, sec.

Franklin, 44, Farmington. Ausbury C Greenleaf, hp; H. Burton Voter, k; Man-ley H. Blaisdell, sc; Geo. B Cragin, sec. Mt. Katahdin, 60, Millinocket. Benj P Files, hp; John D Walker, k; Willard P

Baker, sc; Chester H Robinson, sec.

## Council Elections.

Jephthah, 17, Farmington. Henry E Knapp, West Farmington, tim; Jarvis L Tyler, dm; E Herbert Dingley, pcw; Geo. B Cragin, rec.

### Commandery Elections.

Camden, 23, Camden. Jesse H Ogier, com; Alfred F Beverage, gen; Charles A Wilson, cgen; Geo. S Clark, rec.

Portland, 2, Portlard. Charles D Boyd, com; Frederick G Hamilton, gen; Convers E Leach, cgen; Frank W York, rec.

St. Omer, 12, Waterville. J Howard Welch, com; John H Burleigh, gen; Clarence E B Walker, cgen; Charles B Davis, rec.

### Schools of Instruction.

The Grand Lecturer has called conventions as follows:

# GRAND CHAPTER.

One convention at Brunswick, Friday, Nov. 1st, at 2 P. M., with work in the evening by St. Paul's Chapter.

GRAND LODGE.

### Three conventions.

Portland, Wednesday, Oct. 30th, 10 A. M. Skowhegan, Friday, Nov. 15th, 10 A. M. Bangor, Friday, Nov. 22d, 10 A. M. At the close of the school in Portland the

Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason degrees will be exemplified at a convention in the evening, in the new Masonic Temple, by three lodges in the Seventeenth Masonic District.

### Constitution.

Daniel Randall Chapter, No. 65, at Island Falls, will be constituted Thursday, Oct. 17, by Grand High Priest Chas. B. Dayis. We cannot expect a large attendance at that far distant point, but the Aroostook companions will be much interested.

Warren Phillips Lodge of Cumberland Mills had its annual excursion to Long Island Saturday, August 24th, 100 strong. Base ball was the principal amusement, and a shore dinner the entertainment.

The general store of past master David E. Knight of Garland was burned September 9th. We tender our sympathy in his

Edward L. White, of Bowdoinham, was installed Aug. 26th as D. D. G. Master of the Sixteenth District, in place of George A. Ward of Bath, who has removed from the state.

St. Alban Commandery left Portland August 30th for Sagueney and a trip through the Province of Quebec, returning September 4th.

GRAND CHAPTER. The principal officers of the Grand Chapter met at Riverton September 6th to consult and study the ritual in preparation for official visits.

## Books, Papers, etc.

We art indebted to Senator Charles F. Johnson of Maine for his able speech of June 14th upon The Chemical Schedule.

EASTERN STAR. The proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Eastern Star for Maine 1912, were received from Mrs. Annette H. Hooper, Biddeford, Grand Secretary, Sept. 13th. They are very neatly printed. There are 159 chapters with 17,726 members, a gain of 739.

BACK TO MAINE. The National Magazine for October contains a 76 page description of Maine, by Joe Mitchell Chapple, which will please every Maine reader. The sketch of Aroostook County is especially interesting to us, for we made a trip through

well shown by this article.

# History of the Ritual.

The following history of the ritual is taken from an article in the first number of "The Masonic Monthly," published in Boston, November, 1863, almost a half century ago. It brings to mind names familiar in the past, but now almost forgotten and quite unknown to the masons of the present generation. Our own masonic recollection carries us to within a few months of the writing of the paper and recalls frequent mention of the "Preston" lectures and of the work done by Benjamin Gleason and Jeremy L. Cross who traveled extensively over the country in teaching masonic ritual. Another prominent mason mentioned is Henry Fowle, an authority of his day on every masonic question, his name like the name of Benjamin Gleason is closely associated with the progress of Masonry in this country. Benjamin Gleason was the first Grand Lecturer appointed by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. Both of these brothers were members of Mt. Lebanon Lodge, Boston. The history of the ritual is to-day even more important to those who desire to keep in touch with the advance of Masonry in this country than it was to the brethren for whom it was written a half century ago. -Editor.

" Of the thousands upon thousands of candidates who annually pass through the ceremonies of the several degrees conferred in masonic lodges, but very few know anything of the history of the Ritual of the order. This is especially to be regretted, for the reason that there is, among the members of the craft generally, a strong aversion to any change however slight, in anything connected with the Ritual, for fear that some of these ancient way-marks may be infringed upon or obliterated.

"This veneration for the ancient usages and customs, is highly commendable, and care should ever be taken that it be not weakened, as the stability, universality, and usefulness of the order are, to a very considerable extent, dependent upon it. Rude hands must not be allowed to tamper with our ceremonies, our language or our usages. But it is of the greatest importance that there should be an intelligent appreciation of what really are 'ancient' usages, and what actually constitute 'land-marks' of the order, as it is these alone that should be carefully preserved, and from which we should never suffer the slightest deviation. In the minds of many, every word of the Ritual, as it has come to their individual ears, is invested with all the sanctity of a land-mark, to deviate from which, even in the slightest degree, would be a fatal stab at the heart of the venerated institution, and shake the foundation of the very temple itself.

" In order that this fidelity to obligations and to convictions may be intelligently directed, so far at least as what are technically the lodge are concerned, the following brief called lectures of history has been prepared for these columns. The uninformed brother may safely rely upon the truthfulness of the narrative:

" Previous to the revival of Masonry, in 1717, and the organization of our present system of Grand Lodges, and chartered lodges, the secrets of the order were undoubtedly communicated and the instructions and explanations given, to candidates, in such form of language as the presiding master or warden, could command at the time. If he were a person gifted in lan-

it ing 1864, and the growth in 48 years is facts and lessons of scriptural masonic history, his explanations would be full and interesting, and his instructions clear and explicit. If, on the other hand, the presiding officer were less fortunate in these respects, the traditions and moral instruction would inson are first introduced the three great be set forth in style and language corresponding, even to a meagre and barren explanation of the vital points. It is verv probable, but not certain, that these explanations and instructions, -or 'lectures,' as they were technically called, -by long usage and frequent repetition, gradually assumed very nearly a set form of words, which form was transmitted orally from one generation to another.

"Soon after the reorganization of the order in 1717, the Grand Lodge of England ordered the ancient constitution and charges of the order to be compiled and printed, which was done by Dr. William Anderson, a distinguished scholar, and freemason. This volume, known as 'Anderson's Constitution,' was published in 1723, and was the first printed book upon Freemasonry ever issued.

"Simultaneously with the compilation of his book of constitutions, Dr. Anderson, assisted by Dr. Desaguliers, arranged the 'lectures,' for the first time, into the form of question and answer. Dr. Oliver informs us that 'the first lecture extended to the greatest length, but the replies were circumscribed within a very narrow compass. The second was shorter, and the third, called the Master's part contained only seven questions and examinations.' So favorably were these improved 'lectures' received that the Grand Lodge of England (then the only Grand Lodge in existence, except the old Grand Lodge or Assembly, at York, which soon afterwards expired) adopted the form, and ordered them to be given in all the Thus was compiled and dissemlodges. inated, the first regular form, or system, of masonic 'lectures.'

"The progress of the order, subsequent to the date above mentioned, was unprecedented in all its previous history, and in a few years the imperfections of Dr. Anderson's lectures loudiy called for a revision. This was finally accomplished in 1732, by Martin Clare, an eminent mason, and who was afterwards Deputy Grand Master. Clare's amendments consisted of but little more than the addition of a few moral and scriptural a monitions, and the insertion of a simple allusion to the human senses, and

to the theological ladder. "A few years later, Thomas Dunckerly an accomplished scholar, and who was considered the most intelligent Freemason of his day, considerably extended and improved the lectures. Among other things, he first gave to the theological ladder its three most important rounds.

"According to Dr. Oliver, Dunckerly, added many types of Christ." This, be it remembered, was only one hundred years ago, and is an explicit statement of the addition of the first Christian allusions to be found in the ritual of Freemasonry.

"The lectures of Dunckerly continued to be the standard in England until 1763, when Rev. William Hutchinson revised and improved them. Hutchinson boldly claimed he third degree to be exclusively Christian. He considered the three degrees to refer to the three great dispensations, viz: The Patriarchal, the Mosaic, and the Christian. He even argued that the name ' Mason ' signifies or implies 'a member of a religious sect, and a professed devotee of the Deity.' He regarded the degrees as progressive steps, or schools in religion. He believed that the knowledge of the God of Nature guage, and his mind well stored with the formed the first estate of our profession; from Webb, so that the exoteric portions of

that the worship of the Deity, under the Jewish law, is described in the second stage of Freemasonry; and that 'the Christian dispensation is distinguished in the last and highest order.' In the lectures of Hutchpillars-Wisdom, Strength and Beauty-as supports of a lodge. He also appears to have introduced, for the first time, the cardinal virtues of Prudence, Fortitude, Temperance and Justice. He also gave to the Star its Christian significance.-In fine, he appears to have exerted his utmost ingenuity to render the degrees emphatically Christian in their allusions and teachings.

Hutchinson's system continued in force but a few years. His lectures gave place, in 1772, to the revision of William Preston. The latter not only revised, but greatly extended the lectures, and his system continued to be the standard in England until the 'Union' of the two Grand Lodges of that Kingdom, in 1815, when a committee, of which Dr. Hemming was the chairman and leading mind, compiled the form now generally used in the English lodges, and known as the Hemming Lectures.

"During the unhappy division of the craft in England, between 1739 and 1813, differences had also crept into the lectures, and at the Union above mentioned, the committee endeavored to compile a system which, while it should be in conformity to the spirit of Freemasonry, and in harmony with the ancient landmarks, should be a sort of compromise between the forms in previoue use by the two rival organizations.

"The Hemming lectures differ widely from those of Preston, or from any others previously introduced. A few of these dif-ferences may properly be mentioned. English Lodges are now dedicated to Moses and Solomon, instead of to the two Sts. John, as before, and their masonic festival falls on the Wednesday following St. George's Day, April 23-that Saint being the patron of England. The symbolical of an E. A. are 'a 24 inch rule, a gavel and a chisel." Those of a M. M. are 'a pair of compasses, a skirret and a pencil.' The ornaments of a M. M.'s Lodge are 'a porch, a dormer, and a stone pavement.' Instead of following the example of his predecessor, in introducing new Christian allusions, Dr. Hemming expunged several in use previously. The system, however, never met the cordial approval even of the English brethren, and though, 'beautifully elaborate,' contains so maay incongruities and departures from the more simple lectures of Preston, that it can never be recognized as a universal system. The verbal ritual of Preston was introduced into this country by two English brethren, who had been members of one of the principal lodges of Instruction in London, and was by them communicated to Thomas Smith Webb, an accomplished and distinguished mason of New England. According to the testimony of Webb himself he made but little change in the system of Preston. In the first edition of his Freemason's Monitor, published in 1797, he says:

"" The observations on the first three degrees are principally taken from "Preston's Illustration of Masonry," with some necessary alteration. Mr. Preston's distribution of the first lecture into six, the second into four, and the third into twelve sections, not being agreeable to the present mode of working, they are arranged in this work, according to the general practice.' It appears plain that Webb followed Preston quite closely, and one who will take the trouble to compare, will find that Cross, and after him, all the rest have copies nearly verbatim

the ritual, as contained in our Monitors, Charts, Manuals and Trestle Boards, are but little more than reprints of Preston's Illustrations of Masonry. In 1801-02 Ben-jamin Gleason, an intelligent and zealous brother, then a student in Brown University, at Providence, R. I., received the lectures of Preston, -as modified by Webb,directly from Webb himself. Gleason by his zeal and other excellent qualities, became a great favorite of Webb, through whose influence he was induced to become a masonic lecturer. July 2d, 1804, Isaiah Thomas, then Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts commissioned Bro. Gleason as Grand Lecturer to the lodges under his jurisdiction, the Grand Lodge having left the subject of uniformity of work to his discretion, as Grand Master. Early in the year 1806 the Grand Master of New Hampshire, Thomas Thompson, wrote to the Grand Master of Massachusetts, requesting that committees might be chosen by the two Grand Lodges, to meet and confer upon masonic subjects, and especially upon the subject of a juniformity of work and lectures. The proposition was favorably received, and such a committee was appointed. Rev. George Richards (editor of Richards' Preston's Illustrations of Masonry), Lyman Spaulding (Grand Secretary) and John Harris represented New Hampshire; and Henry Fowle, Benjamin Gleason, and Stephen Bean, represented Massa-chusetts. The committee met at Newburyport in this state, and before rising adopted a report, signed by each member of the committee, from which we make the following extract: 'The respective committees of Massachusetts and New Hampshire are also fully agreed, perfectly decided, and positively unanimous in their opinion, that the mode of work as exemplified by Bros. Gleason, Fowler and Bean, as practiced in Massachusetts, and adopted in New Hampshire, according to the acknowledgment of Bros. Harris, Richards and Spaulding, is as correct as can possibly be expected under existing circumstances; and they deem it expedient that in the three degrees, every master of a lodge shohld be indulged with the liberty of adopting historical details, and the personification of the passing scene, as most agreeable to himself, his supporting officers, and assisting lodge.

"The report was approved by the respecttive Grand Lodges, and the Preston-Webb ritual continued to be taught by Bro. Gleason.

"This is the committee from whom Rev. Jeremy L. Cross—long and well known as a masonic lecturer, and as the author of the Masonic Chart, and other works—claimed to have received the work and lectures, and to have been formally commissioned as lecturer. He also affirms that he never afterwards changed a word or a letter of the ritual as it was communicated to him by them. There are, however, some differences between the lectures as taught by Cross, and as taught by Gleason, though they are principally such as may be called non-essential.

cipally such as may be called non-essential. "In 1810, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts formally adopted the Preston-Webb ritual, and voted to employ Bro. Gleason to communicate it to the lodges under its jurisdiction. In the performance of this duty, he was employed most of the time for several years; and he continued to impart his instruction, at intervals, until his death, in 1847, visiting for that purpose, various sections of the country."—[N. E. Craftsman.]

The New York Masonic Standard copied our article on The Masonic Home in our July number.

### Our Masonic Exchanges.

American Freemason, Storm Lake, Iowa, monthly \$2.

Ashlar, Detroit, Michigan, monthly, 25 c.

Corner Stone, N. York City, weekly, \$2. Crescent, The, St. Paul, Minn., mo., \$1.50.

Duluth Masonic Calender, Duluth, Minn., monthly, octavo, 20 pp.

Eastern Star, Indianapolis, Ind., mo., \$1. Freemason, The, Toronto, Ont., Canada, monthly, 50 cents.

Globe, The, Gravette, Ark., mo., 25 cents. Long Island Masonic News, Brooklyn, N.

York, semi-monthly, \$1. Los Angeles Freemason, Los Angeles, Cal., monthly, \$1.

Masonic Advocate, Pendleton, Ind., monthly, \$1.

Masonic Bibliophile, Cincinnati, O., mo. \$1. Masonic Chronicler, Chicago, Ill., w'kly, \$1 Masonic Monthly, Philadelphia, Pa., \$1. Masonic News, Peoria, Ill., monthly, \$1.

Masonic Observer, Minneapolis, Minnesota weekly \$1.

Masonic Review, Tacoma, Wash., quarterly. Masonic Standard, New York, N. Y., weekly, \$2.

Masonic Sun, Toronto, Ont., monthly, \$1. Masonic Voice-Review, Chicago, Ill., mo., \$1.50.

Masonic World, Kansas City, Mo., mo., \$1. Missouri Freemason, St. Louis, weekly, \$I.

New England Craftsman, Boston, Mass., monthly, \$2.

New Zealand Craftsman, Wellington, New Zealand, monthly, 10s.=\$2.50.

Scottish Rite Bulletin, Louisville, Kentucky, monthly, 50 cents.

Scottish Rite Herald, Dallas, Tex., mo. 50c. Square and Compass, Denver, Col., mo., \$1. Square and Compasses, New Orleans, La., monthly, \$1.

Tennessee Mason, Nashville, Tenn., mo., \$1. Texas Freemason, San Antonio, Texas, monthly, \$1.

Tiestle Board, San Francisco, Cal., mo., \$1. Tyler-Keystone, Ann Arbor, Mich., semimonthly, \$2.

Victorian Freemason, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia, bi-monthly, 10 s. 6d., \$2.64.

Virginia Masonic Journal, Richmond, Vir-

ginia, monthly, \$1. What Cheer Trestleboard, Providence, R.

I., monthly, 50 cents.

### Mackey's Encyclopedia of Freemasoury.

We have received from the Masonic History Company of New York, 227 Fulton St., through Bro. W. O. Burrell, President, a new edition of Mackey's Encyclopedia in two volumes imperial octavo, 943 pages, profusely illustrated and bound in pebbled roan with cloth sides.

It has been revised by Bro. Edward L. Hawkins, M. A., of London, England, assisted by Wm. J. Hughan, Henry Sadler, W. J. Longhurst, John Yarker and other well known writers.

It is undoubtedly the most perfect and complete masonic cyclopedia yet published. of Henry B. Grant, deceased.

The price is \$12,00 sold on the installment plan or at 10 per cent. discount for cash.

The regulation that Society emblems should not be permitted on gravestones in national cemeteries has been rescinded by Congress.

The widow of Bro. W. T. Hughan lately died in Torquay, England.

Billy Ross visited Portland in July and we had the pleasure of showing him his picture in the Philadelphia Masonic Monthly. It was from a photograph snapped when he was indulging in a hearty laugh. He had just introduced himself to Miss Martine by saying, Hullo Martie, to which she replied Hullo Billy and snapped a kodak at him. It is a capital likeness, for he is always jolly and we are accustomed to that aspect. He was pleased with the new Temple and the two organs, although he will always remember fondly the one burned in 1876, which he raised the subscription for. We need not say how pleased every one was to see him, especially remembering his late serious illness.

ILLINOIS. The Grand Lodge Oct. 8th, re-elected Delmar D. Darrah, of Bloomington, Grand Master, and Isaac Cutter, of Camp Point, Grand Secretary.

The Scottish Rite bodies of Texas will meet in Dallas Nov. 11th to 14th. We have a program from J. L. Stephens, of Dallas.

PORTLAND MASONIC TEMPLE.—The Trustees have voted to name the smaller hall on the second floor of the Temple, Boody Hall, after Henry H. Boody, the former Grand Treasurer, on whose family lot the Temple stands. The hall in the fifth story will be called Tyrian Hall. The Scottish Rite will be left to name their hall in the upper stories, while the name of the main hall has not yet been decided upon.

NEW YORK.—Charles C. Hunt, P. G. H. P. and editor of the Masonic Standard, has been appointed Gr. Secretary of the Grand Chapter in place of Christopher G. Fox, deceased. His address is Masonic Hall, New York City.

The orphans at the Masonic Home in Iliinois were made happy in August by a visit from a caravan of five autos loaded with gifts. York Chapter of Chicago had a picnic and found a large surplus of money subscribed for prizes. This they invested in presents for the 82 children at La Grange, who were made very happy according to the Masonic Chronicler. This is one of the things in favor of Masonic Homes.

KENTUCKY.—Howard R. French of Mt. Sterling has been appointed Gr. Recorder of the Grand Council of Kentucky, in place of Henry B. Grant, deceased.



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Any member of the Grand Chapter, Council or Commandery can obtain the Constitutions of those bodies in the same way.

Secretaries should instantly report the election of officers, if they have not done so, that communications, &c., may be sent to the proper addresses.

MASON'S MARK.-When the old jail was built in the rear of the old brick courthouse about a century ago the master builder cut his mark in the lintel of the front door. When the jail was torn down to make room for the city hall that stone was built into a wall in the cellar. Many years afterward the question was mooted, What did that mark mean ? We explained it in the Token. Deacon Gould said it looked like a windmill and the description was apt. When this latest city hall was building the stone was left out, and now the Police department proposes giving it a place in the new police building, which is eminently proper. The question has again arisen as to its meaning, and again we answer that it is a Mason's Mark. Thousands of them are to be found in old buildings in Europe, for once every workman cut his mark in the stone he dressed. Although the custom has lapsed it is evident that the old builder was a

Mark Master, and that he put his mark on the lintel to leave some memorial of his work.

Los ANGELES. The report of the Los Angeles Board of Relief for 1912 shows \$465.50 paid out for Maine and \$400 returned. Total paid out for other jurisdictions \$15,912.52; received back \$9,014.46. The city lodges furnished the balance, \$6,-055.80. No deaths reported of Maine men. The employment bureau reports 972 applications; positions secured for 484 men and 93 women, besides many temporary assignments. But warning is given that employees are required to pass a physical examination, and 40 years is the limit of age. Consumptives must not go with the expectation of being taken care of.

### Scottish Rite Masons

Washington, Oct. 7. - The second international conference of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Freemasonry, began its sessions here to-day, with the intention of bringing into closer relations the Freemasonry of the World and systematizing the work of the order.

There was a large gathering, many from abroad. 23 of the 29 Grand Orients of the world were represented.

Wm. C. Mason, Millard F. Hicks, Albro E. Chase, Frederick C. Thayer and Herbert Harris were present from Maine, and we notice our Grand Representative Albert Krüger present as a delegate from Belgium.

Monday was mostly spent in sight-seeing with a theater party in the evening given by the Southern Supreme Council.

The banquet given by the Southern Supreme Council at the New Willard on Tuesday evening was fine. The foreign delegates spoke in their own languages.

The business sessions were largely oratory, and the foreign delegates speaking in their own tongues made less conflict of opinion.

The Supreme Councils of Servia and Equador were formally recognized. The recognition of Holland was discussed and it is understood that it was adopted. The council adjourned 12th, after deciding that the third meeting should be at Lausanne, Switzerland, in May 1917.

CANADA.—At the annual assembly of the Great Priory of Canada at Toronto August 14th, William P. Ryrie, of Toronto, was re-elected Gr. Master, and Will H. Whyte, of Montreal, Grand Chancellor. A committee was appointed to arrange for the organization of Provincial Priories.

At the reunion of the 15th Maine at Lakewood Sept. 12th, Gen. Isaac Dyer of Skowhegan, who was the Colonel, sat at the head of the table, and despite his 92d year was one of the liveliest. He is a Past Commander of DeMolay Commandery.

### General Grand Council.

The General Grand Council met in Indianapolis September 9th and 10th. We are indebted to Past Grand Master Murray B. Watson for papers containing the proceedings. Grand Master Graff M. Acklin of Toledo, Ohio, presided. Maine was represented by Harry E. Larrabee, Gr. Master; Murray B. Watson, proxy for Dep. Grand Master; and Charles B. Davis, proxy for G. P. C. W.

Murray B. Watson of Maine was appointed on the Committee on the State of the Rite.

An effort was made to reduce the two cent per capita tax, but it was defeated.

Charters were granted to a council each in Boise, Idaho, Goldfields, Nevada, Watertown, S. D., and the canal zone.

The membership was reported as 66,361 in 28 Grand Councils.

A revised ritual for the Super Excellent degree was adopted.

The triennial in 1915 will meet in San Francisco in the same week as the General Grand Chapter.

The following Grand Officers were elected:

J. Albert Blake, Boston Mass., General Grand Master.

Edward W. Wellington, Ellsworth, Kansas, General Grand Deputy Master.

George A. Newell, Medina, N. Y., General Grand P. C. of Work.

Thomas E. Shears, Denver, Colorado, General Grand Treasurer.

Henry W. Mordhurst, Fort Wayne, Ind., General Grand Recorder.

William F. Cleveland, Harlan, Iowa, General Grand Captain of Guard.

Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Arkansas, General Grand Conductor of Council.

Joseph C. Greenfield, Atlanta, Georgia, General Grand Marshal.

Bert S. Lee, Springfield, Mo., General Gr. Steward.

By vote, the sword and trowel are removed from the altar, leaving the three great lights.

### The Northern Supreme Council

Met in Boston Sept. 30th, and many distinguished guests from abroad were visitors, 24 Supreme Councils being represented.

G. Commander Barton Smith's allocution gave the membership as 76,119 in 95 lodges of Perfection. A class of 73 received the 33d degree, Senator Charles F. Johnson of Maine among them. Two hundred lady guests were entertained by the Boston ladies.

Grand Commander Barton Smith and Sec.-Gen. Jas. H. Codding were re-elected.

President Taft attended the banquet on Wednesday night, 900 guests being present, including ladies.

Wm. Freeman Lord of Auburn was elected from Maine to receive the 33°.

Silas B. Adams and Joseph E. Henley of Portland received the 33d degree.

### Obituaries.

ROLLIN M. HUNTER, Grand Master of Iowa in 1907, died in Sibley June 26th. He was born near Ames Dec. 29, 1858, and was a lawyer.

EDWARD S. LIPPITT, Grand Commander of California in 1895. Born in Woodstock, Conn., Sept. 17, 1824, died in Petaluma May 3, 1912. He was a lawyer.

SAMUEL E. JOHNSON, Grand Commander of Arkansas, died at Hot Springs June 9th, aged 49. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, July 6, 1853.

LIBERTY E. FELLOWS, Grand Master of Iowa in 1893 and '94, died at Lansing July 17th. He was born in Corinth, Vt., Aug. 22, 1834, and was lawyer, judge and member of Legislature.

ALLEN B. SMITH, Grand Commander of Nebraska in 1885, died in Omaha July 23d. He was born in Indiana April 29, 1851, and was a railroad man.

THOMAS M. MATTHEWS, Grand Master of Texas in 1881, and correspondent for 23 years, died in Athens June 14th, aged 82 years, 3 1-2 mos. He was born at Cumberland Court House, Va., March 6, 1830. He was a physician and served as surgeon in the confederate service. He was an able writer.

EZRA SCULL BARTLETT, Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania in 1895, died in Philadelphia July 17th aged 64. He was a merchant and was the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of Maine. He was Grand Commander in 1903.

CHRISTOPHER G. Fox, Senior Past Grand Master of New York and Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter, as also General Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, died in Buffalo Sept. 5, aged 83. He was Grand Master in 1872 and 1873, was Secretary of the Grand Chapter for 45 years, and of the General Grand Chapter since 1871. He was an accomplished ritualist and an able Grand Secretary, and an acquaintance of many years had led us to esteem him highly.

LEANDER W. FRARY, second Grand Master of Montana in 1867, died at Pasadena, California, Oct. 24, 1911, aged 86.

HENRY BANNISTER GRANT, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Council of Kentucky, died of pneumonia August 26th. He was born in Auburn, N. Y., March 12, 1837. He was a captain in the Union service in the civil war. He was Grand High Priest in 1889 and Grand Master of the Council in 1877. He held many other places of dignity and was an honored member of the Fraternity.

JOSEPH CHAPMAN, Grand Master of Iowa in 1872, died at Painesville, Ohio, Aug. 27th. He was born in Pittsburg, Pa., June 14, 1831.

Priest of Nova Scotia in 1883, and permanent Grand Chaplain, died in Annapolis General Grand Master, Third Veil-Henry Royal June 6, 1911.

CHRISTOPHER DIEHL, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Utah, died in Salt Lake City Sept. 17th, in his 82 year. He was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, March 22, 1831, and came to America in 1851. He settled in Salt Lake City in 1866, and was elected Grand Secretary in 1872.

EUGENE A. LYTLE, Grand Commander of New York in 1874, died at Avoca Aug.

JACOB L. LONG, Grand High Priest of Ohio in 1885 and 1886, died at Mansfield May 31, 1912, aged 79. He was a major in the Union service in the civil war.

WILLIAM J. MCDONALD, Grand High Priest of New York in 1890 and '91, died in New York City July 24th. Born in Albany April 21, 1843. He served in the 71st N. Y. regiment in the civil war.

ANDREW SAGENDORF, Grand Master of Colorado in 1883, died at Denver Aug. 2d. He was born near Hudson, N. Y., Aug. 26, 1828.

LYMAN H. JOHNSON, Grand Commander of Connecticut in 1896, died in New Haven Sept. 26th. He was born in Wallingford Oct. 10, 1845.

ALFRED S. LEE, Senior Past Grand High Priest of Virginia (1877), died in Richmond Jan. 19th, in his 93d year. He was born in Prince George Co. Aug. 19, 1819. For many years he was President of the Council of High Priests.

#### The General Grand Chanter

Was held in Indianapolis Sept. 11th and 12th, and Maine was represented by Chas. B. Davis, G. H. P.; Harry E. Larrabee, proxy for D. G. H. P.; Murray B, Watson, proxy for G. K.; and the gathering was unusually large.

Nathan Kingsley of Minnesota, G. H. P., presided and all the Grand Officers were present, Charles A. Conover of Michigan, acting as Grand Secretary. The following were elected:

General Grand High Priest-Bernard G. Witt, Henderson, Kentucky.

Deputy General Grand High Priest--George E. Corson, Washington, Dist. of Col.

General Grand King-Frederick W. Craig, Des Moines, Iowa.

General Grand Scribe-William F. Kuhn, Kansas City, Missouri.

General Grand Secretary-Charles A. Conover, Coldwater, Michigan.

General Grand Treasurer-John M. Carter, Baltimore, Maryland.

General Grand Captain of the Host-Bestor G. Brown, Topeka, Kansas.

General Grand Principal Sojourner-Chas. E. Rix, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

HENRY DESPARD DE BLOIS, Grand High General Grand Royal Arch Captain-J. Albert Blake, Boston, Mass.

Banks, La Grange, Georgia.

General Grand Master, Second Veil-Henry DeWitt, Hamilton, New York City.

General Grand Master, First Veil-Charles C. Davis, Centralia, Illinois.

San Francisco was selected for the 36th Triennial in 1915, the date to be decided by the Grand Council.

The total fund is \$30,035.73.

The Scottish Chapter in Manila was interdicted.

David Wright of Wisconsin, 92 years old, was present and was welcomed.

The Grand Secretary's Guild elected Calvin W. Prather of Indianapolis, President, and re-elected Charles A. Conover of Michigan, Secretary-Treasurer.

A Correspondent's Guild, restricted to Chapter and Council, was organized with William F. Cleveland of Iowa as President and Robert A. Woods of Princeton, Ind., Secretary.

The Gen. Gr. H. P. in his address paid a tribute to P. G. H. Priests Blanchard, Haves and Larrabee of Maine.

He had instituted chapters at Havana, Cuba, at Fairbanks and Nome, Alaska, and at Las Cascadas, Canal Zone, while two more applications are expected, one at Camajuani, Cuba, the other at Iquiqui, Chile.

SUMMER CALLERS .- Walter H. Young, Brooklyn, N. Y., Elmer F. Gay, Grand Master of Indiana, Edward B. James, of Boston, Abram A. Reger, Grand High Priest of New Jersey, with his brother-inlaw, Charles P. Sparkman, 33°, Patterson, N. J., Harry E. Dearborn, Asst. G. Secy, Boston, Mass.

We have received from Bro. Edwin P. Capen of Minneapolis, formerly of Portland a copy of the by-laws of Bethlehem Lodge. of Augusta, printed in 1856, when we were young in Masonry, and a copy of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Kansas of 1860, when Drummond was our Grand Master, and we return thanks.

The Grand Lodge of Ireland has recognized the Grand Lodge of Queensland, but this is offset by the proposition of the District Grand Lodges of England and Scotland to unite in establishing a new Grand Lodge. Two Grand Lodges cannot long exist in Queensland and the present one has 58 lodges with 2400 members, and has been recognized by 46 Grand Lodges.

#### Nature,

If thou art worn and hard beset With sorrows that thou wouldst forget, If thou wouldst read a lesson that will keep Thy heart from fainting and thy soul from sleep Go to the woods and hills! No tears Dim the sweet look that Nature wears.

-[Longfellow.]

Brotherhood.	GEORGIA.—Lodge—74, 93, 5, 8, 1900, 3. Chapter—1895, 7, 8.	Chapter—1874, 5, 8, 87, 92, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2.
Delta della dell	Commandery—1884, 7, 8.	Council—93, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9.
It's the kindly hearts of earth that make This good old world worth while,	Ідано.—Lodge—90, 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 1900-3.	Commandery-1885, 8, 88, 9, 91, 3, 5, 6,
It's the lips with tender words that wake	ILLINOIS.—Lodge—1874, 5, 6, 7, 8, 83 to	7, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2.
The care-erasing smile. And I ask my soul this question when	91, 96 to 1900, 2, 3, 4.	MONTANA-Lodge-81, 6, 92, 5, 6, 7, 9,
My goodly gifts I see: Am I a friend to as many men	Chapter—1879 to 84, 6, 7, 8, 9, 91 to 96.	1900, 1, 3, 4. Chapter—96, 7, 8, 1900, 1, 2, 3.
As have been good friends to me?	8, 1900, 1, 2, 3. Council—1883, 4, 91, 3, 5 to 1902.	Commandery—1895, 6, 7, 8.
When my brothers speak a word of praise	Commandery—1875 to 1903.	NEBRASKA-Lodge-1873, 4, 82, 3, 4, 90,
My wavering will to aid, I ask if ever their long, long ways	Council Deliberation-1890, 6.	1, 2, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4.
My words have brighter made. And to my heart I bring again	Masonic Vet. Ass'n—1890, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.	Chapter-78, 81, 2, 3, 5, 93, 4, 5, 7, 9
This eager, earnest plea:	INDIANA-Lodge-1873, 7, 8, 9, 80, 6, 8,	1900, 1, 2, 3, 4. Council—1873.
Make me a friend to as many men As are good staunch friends to me.	9, 90, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 1.	Commandery-1872, 3, 5, 7, 8, 79, 80, in
-[Nixon Waterman]	Chapter—1873, 90, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8. Council—1873, 96, 7, 8, 9.	one book; 1 to 5, 9, 91 to 6, 1900 to 4.
W. L. Due Whenes Dest Grand Master	Commandery—1875, 7, 8, 9, 81, 2, 3, 4, 5,	NEVADALodge-1901, 2.
W. LaRue Thomas, Past Grand Master	6, 7, 91, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 2.	Chapter—1901, 2.
of the Grand Encampment, notifies us that	INDIAN TERRITORY.—Lodge—1891, 3, 4,	New Brunswick.—Lodge—74, 5, 6, 9,
he is leaving Pittsburg, Pa., to reside in	1903.	80, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 97. Chapter—1888 to 93 inc., 96.
Tucson, Arizona, at No. 237 East Fourth	IowA.—Lodge—1854-58, one book; 71, 3,	New HAMPSHIRELodge-1891, 8.
Street.	5, 7 to 84, 87 to 99, 1901, 2, 3, 4. Chapter—1879, 81, 2, 4.	Chapter—1892.
Proceedings for Sale.	Council—1875, 8.	Council—1890.
and the second states and and the strength of the	Commandery—1876, 8, 9, 80, 1, 2, 7, 91, 3.	Commandery—1878, 9, 80, 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 90, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.
The following proceedings will be sent	KANSAS.—Lodge—1875, 8, 87, 8, 95, 6, 7,	2, 5, 4, 5, 6, 7. New Jersey.—Lodge—1873, 84, 6, 7, 95
postpaid on receipt of the price, viz:	8, 9, 1900, 1, 2.	6, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4.
For Grand Lodge proceedings, each 60 cts.	Chapter—1883.	Chapter—1874, 80, 1, 2, 3, 4.
" " Chapter " " 50 cts. " " Council " " 30 cts.	Commandery—1874, 6, 85 to 91, 8, 9, 1900.	Council—1876, 7, in one book; 84, 5, 6.
" " Commd'y " " 40 cts.	KENTUCKY.—Lodge—1878, 98, 9, 02 to 4.	Commandery—1875, 6, 7, 8, 83, 4, 5 7, 8, 91, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9.
ALABAMALodge-1876, 81 to 85, 89,	Chapter—1897, 1901. Council—1882, 4, 92, 3, 1900, 1.	New Mexico-Lodge-1889, 91, 2, 3, 5
90, 91, 1900, 1, 2.	Commandery—1871, 7, 80, 1, 3 to 1903.	6, 7, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 3 4,.
Chapter—1873, 79 to 84, 91, 1900, 1, 2.	High Priesthood—1875, 6; 7, 8, 9, in one	Chapter—1904.
Council—1874, 5, 7, 8, 9, 80, 82, 3.	book; 82, 4.	Commandery—1902, 3, 4.
Commandery—1874, 5, 6, 9, 82, 3, 4, 5, 8, 93, 4, 7, 1900 to 4.	LOUISIANALodge-1869, 72, 3, 9, 80, 1,	New York.—Lodge—1878, 80, 2, 3, 4, 5
ARKANSAS—Lodge—1877, 8, 81, 5 to 82,	4 to 90, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 4. Chapter—1875, 86, 7, 9, 90, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,	
6, 7, 8, 9, 90, 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 1900, 2.	8, 9, 1900, 1, 2.	5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 90, 1, 2, 3. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Commandery—1884, 87 to 94, 6, 1900 to 4,	Council—1878, 92, 3, 1900, 2.	1900, 1, 2, 4.
6, 01. ARIZONA,—Lodge—1888 to 90, 2, 4, 7, 8,	Commandery—1872, 6; 77, 8, one book; 79 to 90, 91 to 99, 1900, 1, 2.	Council—1874, 5. Commandery—1876, 80, 2, 7, 8, 92, 3, 4.
1900.	MANITOBA.—Lodge—1888, 9, 90, 1, 2, 3,	, 6, 7, 1900, 3, 4.
Chapter-1893, 1900.	4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4.	NORTH CAROLINA-Lodge-1898, 9, 1900
Commandery—1893, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1900.	MARYLANDLodge-1881.	1, 2, 4
CALIFORNIA.—Lodge—1876.	Chapter-1880, 3, 5, 7, 8-9, 90 to 1901, 3.	Chapter—1882, 3, 5, 1901, 03, 04. Council—1898, 1900–1, 2.
Chapter	Council—92-94, in one book; 95, 6, one book; 97-99, one book.	Commandery—1882, 1902, 3.
Commandery—1874, 80, 2, 4, 9, 91, 3, 4, 5,	Commandery—1885, 6, 9, 91 to 97.	New ZEALAND-Lodge-1900, 1, 2, 3, 4
1900, 1.	MASSACHUSETTS Lodge-Annual, Quar-	NORTH DAKOTA-Lodge-1900, 1, 2, 3, 4
Consistory—1887, 90, 3.	terly, Special and Stated, 1880, 1. Quarterly	Chapter-1895, 7, 9, 1900, 2.
CANADA.—Lodge—1872, 8, 9, 87, 92, 3,	and Special, 82. Quarterly, Special and	Command'y-90, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 1900
4, 6, 1900 to 3. Chapter—1887, 8, 91 to 5.	Stated, 88, 9, 90. Quarterly and Special, 91, 2. Quarterly and Stated, 93, 4, 5, 6.	Nova Scotia-Lodge-1884, 94, 8, 9
Commandery—1876, 9, 80, 1, 3, 6, 8, 81, 2,	Quarterly and Special, 97 to 1902.	1900, 1, 2, 3, 4, Orange Ladres 1884, 04, 5, 1000, 0, 0
4, 5, 6.	Chapter-	Оню.—Lodge—1884, 94, 5, 1900, 2, 3. Chapter—82, 9, 95, 6, 8, 1900, 1, 2, 3, 4
COLORADOLodge-1871, 5, 6, 7, 8, 83,	Commandery—1882, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 90, 2, 3. Council—	Council—1899.
4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 91, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 1900, 1, 4.		Commandery-1876, 9, 82, 3, 7, 8, 9, 90
Chapter—Org. 1875, 6, 9, 80, 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 91, 8, 9, 1900, 1.	MICHIGAN.—Lodge—1873, 81, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 90, 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 1900, 2, 4.	
Commandery1876, 7, 8, 9, 81, 2, 3, 4, 6,	Chapter—1848–98, in one book ; 75, 6, 80,	OKLAHOMA.—Lodge—1896, 9.
8, 9, 90, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 1900, 2.	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 90, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1900, 1, 4.	Commandery—1897, 9.
CONNECTICUT.—Lodge—1874, 83, 5, 92,	Council-1874-5, in one book; 6, 89, 91,	ONTARIO.—Lodge—1891, 2, 7, 9, 1901.
1901, 2. Chapter—1883, 4, 90, 91.	2, 3, 6, 1900. Commandery—1874, 5, 6, 7, 9, 80, 1, 2, 3,	OREGON.—Lodge—1872, 85, 6, 7, 8.
Council—1883, 90, 1, 2.	5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 90, 1, 2, 3.	PENNSYLVANIA.—Lodge—1865, 75, 9, 83 7, 8, 9, 1900, 1, 3, 4.
Commandery-1877, 8, 80, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7,	Hist. Sketch Early Masonry in Michigan,	Chapter—Abstract Quarterly and Annu
9, 90, 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 1900, 1, 2, 4.	and Proc. Gr. Lodge, 1826 to '60.	al 1865, 6, 7, in one book; 5, 7, 85, 9, 90
DAKOTA.—Lodge—1884.	MINNESOTA.—Lodge—1874, 88, 92, 1900,	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9. Council—1888, 1904.
Chapter—1886, 8. Commandery—1885, 6, 7, 8, 9.	1, 4; Lodge of Sorrow, 79. Chapter—1883, 96, 04.	Commandery—1874, 5, 6, 9, 81, 4, 5, 7
DELAWARE.—Lodge—1889, 90, 3, 4, 6, 7,	Council—1900.	8, 9, 91, 2.
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Chapter—1880, 1, 2, 91, 4, 5.	MISSISSIPPILodge-1873, 5, 80, 3, 5, 6,	90, 1, 2, 4.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIALodge-1862,	9, 90, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1900, 1, 2, 4, 5.	P. E. ISLANDLodge-1883, 5, 6, 7, 9
93, 5, 7, 8, 9. Commandery—1896.	Chapter—80, 1, 4, 5, 9, 94, 6, 7, 8, 1900, 1, 2.	96, 7, 8, 9, 1900, 3, 4.
FLORIDA.—Lodge—1872, 3, 4, 8, 9, 80, 2,	1, 2. Council—94, 8, 1901, 2, 4.	QUEBECLodge-Emergent and Annua 81, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9.
4, 7, 90, 1, 7.	Commandery-1857-72, in one book; 5,	Chapter-1894, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1901, 2, 3
Chapter—1872-3, 4, 86, 8, 9.	6, 7, 84, 7, 9, 90 to 98, 1900, 1, 2, 4, 5.	RHODE ISLANDLodge-1872, 3, 4, 88
Commandery—1896.	MISSOURI-Lodge-74, 5, 6, 82, 91.	9, 1904.

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Lincoln Lodge, Wiscasset,	44
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Olive Branch Lodge, Charleston,	11
Hiram Lodge, South Portland,	11
Casco Lodge, Yarmouth,	11
Somerset Lodge, Skowhegan,	11
What lodge shall be next added ?	È À.
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# Royal Order of Scotland.

The Provincial Grand Ladge held its 25th annual session in Boston Sept. 30th, Prov. G. Master James D. Richardson presiding. Forty-eight members were added to the roll.

ENGLAND.-Grand Vice Chancellor Chas. Fitzgerald Matier has favored us with a copy of the proceedings of the Great Priory of Knights Templar for 1912. We have counted up the members and find 3372 in 141 preceptories.

NEW YORK.-Grand Master Chas. Smith of New York has interdicted the new Grand Lodge of Italy under Saverio Fera and all masons made by Francesco Martirano in New York under the warrant of Fera. Martirano has been recognized by the Northern Supreme Council, and he and Fera are now visiting the Supreme Councils in this country.

While the Supreme Councils should properly decide what Supreme Councils to recognize, it is evidently within the province of a Grand Master to act against any one interfering with the lodges.

### Our Thanks.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.—Gr. Lodge, June 20, 1912, from W. A. D. Smith, New Westminster, Gr. Sec. J. M. Rudd, Nanaimo, G. M. 65 lodges, 5,776 members, 500 initiates.

ILLINOIS.—Gr. Commandery, Sept. 17, 1912, from Delmar D. Darrah, Blooming-ton, G. Rec. Wm. L. Sharp, Chicago, G. Com. 76 commanderies, 17,142 members, 937 knighted.

Grand Imp. Council Red Cross Constantine, 1912, from Geo. W. Warvelle, Chicago, G. Rec. Sam P. Cochran, Dallas, Texas, G. Sovereign. 22 conclaves, 664 members, 73 candidates.

MICHIGAN.—Gr. Commandery June 4, 1912, from John A. Gerow, Detroit, G. Rec. Geo. T. Campbell, Owosso, Gr. Com. 49 commanderies, 8,678 members, 532 knighted.

MISSISSIPPI.—Gr. Council, Feb. 13, 1912, from Fred G. Speed, Vicksburg, Gr. Rec. Oliver L. McKay, Meridian, G. M. 45 councils, 2,219 members, 203 candidates.

NEBRASKA.—Gr. Lodge, June 4, 1912, from Francis E. White, Omaha, Gr. Sec. James R. Cain, Jr., Stella, G. M. 278 lodges, 19,269 members, 1,390 initiates.

NEVADA.-Gr. Lodge, June 11, 1912, from Edward D. Vanderlieth, Carson City, G. Sec. Henry W. Miles, Reno, G. M. 25 lodges, 1,846 members, 108 raised.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.-Grand Lodge, May 15, 1912, from Harry M. Cheney, Concord,
G. Sec. Charles H. Wiggin, Concord, G.
M. 79 lodges, 10,480 members, 455 initiates.

Gr. Council, May 13, 1912, from Harry M. Cheney, G. Rec. Albert R. Junkins, Portsmouth, G. M. 15 councils, 2,482 members, 180 candidates.

NEW YORK.-Council of Deliberation, July 1, 1912, from Wm. Homan, N. York, Deputy. James Belknap, N. York, G. Sec. 18 lodges, 10,829 members, 769 initiates. Finely illustrated.

NEW ZEALAND.-G. Lodge, May 8, 1912, from Malcom Niccol, Dunedin, Gr. Secy. Maurice Thompson, Invercargill, Gr. M. 186 lodges, 12,309 members, 993 initiates.

NORTH DAKOTA.-Grand Lodge June 18, 1912, from Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, G. Sec. Wm. E. Hoover, Fargo, G. M. 102 102 lodges, 8,358 members, 598 raised.

TENNESSEE. - Gr. Commandery, May 22, 1912, from John B. Garrett, Nashville, Gr. Rec. Wm. G. Sheen, Bristol, G. Com. 16 commanderies, 1,569 members, 124 knighted.

VERMONT.-Grand Lodge, June 12, 1912, from Henry H. Ross, Burlington, G. Sec. Eugene S. Weston, New Haven, G. M. 103 lodges, 13,443 members, 652 initiates.

WASHINGTON.-Grand Chapter, June 14. 1912, from Yancey C. Blalock, Walla Walla, G. Sec. Wm. G. Rowland, Tacoma, G. H. P. 34 chapters, 3,642 members, 283 exalted.

Gr. Commandery, June 10, 1912, from Yancey C. Blalock, G. Rec. Henry L. Kennan, Spokane, G. Com. 13 commandries, 2,025 members, 121 knighted.

WEST VIRGINIA.-Grand Commandery, May 15, 1912, from Francis E. Nichols, Fairmont, G. Rec. Adrian C. Naden-bousch, Martinsburg, G. Com. 19 commanderies, 3,463 members, 248 knighted.

# DIED.

JOSEPH BROOKS in Portland July 26, aged 83 yrs. 8 mos. 12 d. Port Warden, old master mar-iner and member Portland Lodge.

CAPT. OMAR E. CHAPMAN of Damariscotta, at sea on voyage to Scattle, July, aged 55. A mem-ber of Alna Lodge and Ezra B. French Chapter. WILLIAM G. CONANT in Freeport August 11, aged 28. A member of Freeport Lodge.

ANDREW J. RICH in Portland Sept. 2, aged 77 yrs. 11 m. 18 d. An undertaker, and a member of Portland Lodge, Greenleaf Chapter and St. Alban Commandery.

CHARLES H. HOOPER in Castine, suddenly, Sept. 6, aged 60. Secretary of Hancock Lodge and prominent citizen.

SAMUEL R. KNOWLAND in Lynn, Mass., Sept. 27. P.T. I. M. of Oxford Council.

LEWIS MCLELLAN in Gorham Sept. 29, aged 79 yrs. 10 mos. The oldest member of Harmony Lodge.

CHARLES M MOSES, in Saco Oct. 2, aged 61 yrs. 2 mos. Former Collector of Portland.

FRANK BRADFORD in Lewiston Aug. 22, He had been Secretary of Asylum Lodge at В. Wayne for 13 years.

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